WHEREAS, The principal mame for the Nation's Bicentennial commemoration is the improvement of the quality of life in the United States; and,

WHEREAS, The increase of injuries and the appalling number of fatalities on South Dakota's highways continues to leave its mark on the lives of our citizens; and,

WHEREAS, Thousands of people participating in Bicentennialrelated activities will be traveling on South Dukota's highways and by-ways during 1975; and,

WHEREAS, Emphasis on the matter of highway safety during our Nation's Two Hundreuth Anniversary is absolutely essential to assure that 1975 does not become a year of unequalled highway carnage:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD F. KNEIP, Governor of the State of South Dakora, do hereby proclaim 1975 as

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and urge that highway safety projects and programs during this Bicentennial Year be formulated to involve all the citizens of South Dakota in a statewide effort to save lives and prevent injuries as a symbol of the rededication of South Dakotans to live and work together in the "Spirit of '76."

> IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of Sound Jakota, in Pierrs, the Capital City, this 19th day of February. to the Year of our Lord, Ninescan Hundred and feverively

RICHARD F. KNEIP, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

LORNA B. HERSETH, SECRETARY OF STATE

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